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# IN CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

(P. I. Lipsey).

The brethren are arranging to prove the virtues of the Laymen's Missionary Movement. Bro. S. R. Whitten is executive secretary for the State. Bro. J. S. Riser, our associational clerk for twenty years, is ready to provide speakers, so that every church may have a missionary rally January and February conducted by the laymen. Brethren, work with him and make full proof of the ministry of this movement. There will be a great Layman's Convention in Jackson Jan. 8-10 for the whole State, and no layman should miss it who can possibly go. For the sake of the Lord's work let us lay aside some other things and go. These next four months are largely given up to missions in our churches and this convention ought to help us wonderfully. Let prayer be made for the meeting beforehand and let the mission months be seasons of earnest prayer as well as con tributions.

We shall sorely miss Bro. Yarborough in our association. For three years he has been our moderator and has given himself unsparingly to the Lord's work. May the Father's blessing go with you, brother, and make you a blessing in your new field as you have been here. It is with genuine sorrow of heart that we give you up.

We expect to give State missions first place in our mission collections this year at Clinton, taking it third Sunday in January, the Lord willing. Then our protracted meeting will begin the fourth Sunday in January. Bro. McComb is to help us, and we hope the brethren every where will pray earnestly for us that we may have a meeting of great grace and power.

Bro. Murphy at Flora has been compelled by ill health to give up his work. We sincerely regret his going and the cause. He has done a fine work there and the people hold him in high esteem.

Bro. J E. Thigpen, for several years pastor at Magnolia, takes up the work at Flora. People in Central Association know Bro. Thigpen and welcome him with open arms.

Bro. J. C. Parker, pastor at Palestine and Fernwood, is given a vacation of two months in January and February to spend at Moody's School in Chicago. He is also a student in Mississippi College. Parker will come as near doing three men's work as the next one and will get good out of it. His churches have a way of growing.

# RAINED OUT.

(A. V. Rowe).

These words describe the average pastor's experience for three successive Sundays in December. Of course the sustentation receipts under these circum. stances were small, but some of the brethren and sisters seemed to appreciate the situation, and there were a number of individual responses to the cause of the old preacher, enough to guarantee an additional month though there have been two more names added to the list commencing with the new year. Would it be an encroachment on the mission months which we expect to begin with January, to ask those churches and pastors who did not for any reason send their sustentation gifts in December to make this matter of some consideration the ensuing month. Will you not take the words of our Lord so graphically describing that great scene with the sheep gathered on his right hand, the goats gathered on his left hand he says, "Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand come ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: For I was an hungered and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: Naked and ye clothed me: I was sick and ye visited me: I was in prison and ye came unto me. Then shall the righteous answer him saying, Lord when saw we thee an hungered and fed thee? or thirsty and gave thee drink? When saw we thee a stranger and took thee in? or naked and clothed thee? Or when saw we thee sick or in prison and came unto thee? And the King shall an swer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." My brother, my sister, this is your opportunity from the standpoint of the denomination in its care of these who will meet you when Jesus says these identical words for him to include you in the glad welcome of that great day. I want to hear him say the words. I believe I shall hear him say them. I want to hear him say them to you my brother, to you my sister, as the blessed of the Father.

# REVIVAL NOTICE.

(W. A. McComb).

Home Board Evangelist C. A. Stewart, of Ft. Scott. Kan., will begin a meeting at Chunky, Miss., Jan. 9. This meeting

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will probably run till about Jan. 20th.

Bro. Stewart's services could be secured for a meeting immediately following the Chunky meeting. He is said to be one of the best evangelists of the Home Board force. Any one desiring him could address him at Ft. Scott, Kan, up to Jan, 7th, and after that at Chunky, Miss. He could be reached at any time by addressing him in care of the Home Board, Atlanta, Ga.

For the advancement of the Master's kingdom during the year 1910, I greet the brotherhood with hope and good cheer.

# A SAD VISITATION AND A GREAT JOY.

(Mrs. E. C. Bolls).

We have had in this community another sad visitation. About six weeks ago one of our dearest friends (Mrs. Hettie Gibson) was stricken with paralysis: Gradually she yielded to the stroke, day by day she became more helpless, fill finally pulsation ceased. She received the best medical treatment, the tenderest nursing and the most loving care, but all was in vain. She was a beautiful corpse. for her face wore that heavenly calm that shows the soul has reached the haven of restt. The burial service was conducted by our pastor, Harvey Dana and it was truly the sweetest one we ever listened to. It was so comforting, so uplifting, so precious. He made it so glorious to die in Christ, to meet the dear Savior after having spent years in his service. Mrs. Gibson left a sister, two daughters and a host of friends to mourn her loss, but we feel assured she has entered into eternal rest.

The poets say, "There is never a line of suffering, but parallel with it runs a line of joy." We have experienced the truth of this during the last few days. One of our daughters works in Memphis and cannot often visit the old home and the old folks, but Christmas morning she came and brought joy to our hearts. Oh the blessedness of these reunions, that seem like a foretaste of Heaven!

She only remained a short time, but how much sweetness and sunshine were crowded into those two days! The happy memories will make our heart like a nest of singing birds for days to come. We seem to have inhaled the odor of violets, and listened to sweet melodies that have given a new thrill to the pulse, a new song to the lips and a nobler purpose to the life

Large Family of Children, Who Said to
Me, "So Far as Being Youth Anything to
the Large Outside Wood & Concerned, I
Feel That I had as Well Be Dead as Buried
Alive as I have been for the Last Twentyodd Years."

### My Dear Friend:

You must not think of yourself as one buried alive; for such is not the case. God does not measure life as we measure it, always. Let us reason toge her a bit. I know it will do me good, and trust it may help

## 1. In the Physical Works Cod Allows No Energy to B. Lost

- 1. A weight falls and rests.. But the en-
- 1. A weight falls and rest. But the energy that it costs to make it stop is not destroyed. It is changed into heat, which is a form official notally.

  3. A dew-drop is distriction a blade of grass. One takes that drop of dew and subjects it to the energies that are necessary to decompose it; and in dring so, he uncages electricity. And that fried electricity contains heat, and light, and electricity contains heat, and light electricity electricity contains heat, and light electricity electricity electricity electricity. everything.

Energy is eternal. It wan shes here and there along its course only that it may appear in other forms—but it fever dies! It has no graves! It never appear, nor wanes, nor wearies, nor wastes. Econetimes it may Le removed from earth, and thut out from the large outside world-

"But still that atoms force
Moves the light poise, universe."
Nothing is lost! Natura is the greatest economist beneath Heavest. "Jather up the fragments, that nothing is last," is God's command to everything and every force.
And the history of this work of ours, the darkest of the dark ages remains cented is the darkest of the dark ages recepted, is the record of the handiwork to the has weven into the fabric of his own glorious kingdom the energies of everything that ha; gone before.

## 2. Now, This Indestructibe ty of Material Forces Is a Glorious Prophecy.

If God cares for the energy that is conwith water, and rock, and sand, and and air, and flowers and birds and berata, do you reckon he will be so unmindful of man as to forget that he eyes, or allow his efforts to be lost? We be not very well acquainted with God, if we thank that way about him. See how he has wought in the

about the time Stephen sear t with his blood him!

his faith in his religion, it laked very much like it was to be a complete extermination.

But nated of bringing de the these persewater

of the vilest of the vile, and makes even that kind of energy to praise him. For a long time it has been a saying that the blood of the martyrs is the seed of the church.

2. Grave heresies in all the Pauline churches, with the possible exception of that at Philipi (and two fussy women in that, which fact, I am sorry to say, was as dangerous a sheresy, gave occasion for Paul's sound and wholesome teaching.

And I reckon the Lord allowed Paul to be put in prison that he might have time to give to the churches he had established, and through them to us, the great epistles which furnis us the very edb-rock of our theology.

- 3. Judas was a traitor, but his kiss was made to serve God's plan; while nearly every act in the awful tragedy of the Lord's death, where any mention is made of the acts of designing men, it is added: "And this was done that the prophesies might be fulfilled."
- 4. Infidelity and Agnosticism, in all ages of the world, have beaten their brains out over the anvil of their own hypotheses. Tom Payne and his mimic, Bob Ingersol (for I doubt, after all, that Bob ever got off an original idea), and all others of that kind, have accomplished about as much against Christianity as did Voltaire, when he set up his great printing presses to destroy what he vainly termed, "That Religious Here sy." Instead of doing what he expected to do, he did good; for his scheme failed, and his presses were bought by others and used for printing Bibles. That is according to Scripture; for in the 76th Psalm it is said, "The wrath of man shall praise the Lord." Please read Exodus 9:13-16.
- 5. Designing men make ships for the sake of dollars and more dollars; and then God presses them into use, and loading them with missionaries, he sends them as his messengers of peace and light and life to the shores of every benighted land. The man who, when he saw a ship being loaded with mission. aries, said, "That is what ships are for," was right, after all.

## III. Why I Have Made These Five Observations.

I have made them in order to enable me to say with all the emphasis I have that if God makes the efforts of design ing, and even mean men to show forth his glory, he will not do less than that the latter, the world may say that the 1. When the persecutors care down upon the little hand-full of Jerge len Christians friends, and love him, and try to serve weaver. But if the weaver is doing bet-

1. I am not surprised that Jesus doing better superintending, then the taught that he who gave a cup of cold latter is really doing better than the water to one of God's little ones, in the former.

spirit of real service, was, in very truth, doing a service to him.

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- 2. The alabaster box, broken, and its contents poured on the feet of Jesus filled all the room with the richness of its perfume; but the act itself has filled the wide, wide world with the splendid aroma of what real service means; and has shown us all, upon the authority of Jesus himself, that a good deed never
- 3. The widow's mite was a "little sum"; but as it went rattling into the brazen mouth of the treasury-box that day in old Jerusalem it set in motion vibrations that have been echoing and reechoing around the world ever since.

Abraham was the father of the faithful, it is true; but in the matter of the conservation of his spiritual energy, he had no advantage over you-notwithstanding you sometimes think that you have been buried alive for more than twenty years.

Please read Gal. 6:9 and take cour age. This verse brings us a great lesson in the form of a figure: Sowing and Reaping. Even in material things before a harvest can be realized, certain conditions must be met. A harvest is not waiting for every man who happens to have a sickle on his shoulder. It is prepara tion, planting, growth, waiting-then harvest. So it is in spiritual matters, with this exception: In matters material God sometimes seems to withhold his cooperation, and the harvest fails; but in matters spiritual this never happens.

Now, the greatness of the field, or the boundlessness of one's opportunity is nothing in one's favor. We have no more right to select our field which we are to cultivate for God, than we have to select our parents, and when and where we are to be born. Men and women, as God's servants, are only God's stewards, sent to cultivate certain fields; and the "well-doing" of Galatians 6:9 is doing well in the place where the Lord has

The world has made students out of all of us, and taught us many things that are not so; one of which is, that "doing well" by the world's standard is identical with the "well-doing" of the Bible's standard. The world's idea of "doing well" is success on a large scale, and in a large field. But the Bible's idea of "well-doing" is the proper cultivation of the very field God has assigned one to.

In a large cotton mill there is the superintendent and the weaver. And because the former has a larger field than ter weaving than the superintendent is IV. This Ought to Encourage You.

I know you have a thousand cares, and are burdened with the anxieties and responsibilities of motherhood. What real mother isn't? You toil on, year in and year out, in the midst of your home duties. And you are so completely shut out from the "large outside world" that the masses do not know you; while, doubtless, many whom you have met have forgotten that you live. That is why you feel that you have been buried alive for more than twenty years; that is why you sometimes become despondent; that is why you sometimes cry!

But, after all, my dear mother, you represent the noblest class of all! Our mothers are the noblest, grandest, and most useful mortals beneath the stars. I do not believe there has ever yet been a really great man who did not have a really great mother before him. Neither do I believe that a really great mother will tail in giving really great men and women to the world. The hand that rocks the cradle still rules the world.

The noble traits of your character and life are being multiplied over and over again in the lives of all your children. And what your children shall yet be worth to the "large outside world" is yet to be the measure of your real worth to it.

The motto of one of the old English families was a single Latin word: Persevera (persevere). With that word looking upon him from the lintel of the door, and from the walls of his room, and on his shield accompanying him to battle, or across his horse's bridle going with him upon the chase, it is no wonder the founder of that family developed a strong character in himself and transmitted it to all his descendants. What this world needs now, most of all, is mothers of the right kind-mothers who are willing to be real mothers-mothers who love God and keep him commandments-mothers who delight to live in their children, and are content to be worth while to the "large outside world" through their children.

May God fill this land with mothers like that, and then sustain them with the old Roman's motto of power, "Persevera!"

Huntsville, Ala.

### RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, Rev. R. J. O'Bryant, our be loved pastor, who has served us about. two years has yielded to the impressions of the Holy Spirit of God to accept other churches. His wise leadership and stand against vice and sin and whatever makes for the downfall of humanity, his unfaltering devotion and advocacy of such things as tend to uplift, coupled with his simple, forceful and eloquent preaching of the gospel have been a great blessing

to our church and the community as well as the surrounding country, and

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Whereas, Another church extended a call and beloved pastor left Nov. 1 to take charge of the Lord's work in an other field, therefore be it

Resolved, First, That we very sorrowfully give Bro. O'Bryant over to other work, although we feel that his only ob ject in severing himself from us and accepting work elsewhere is to further glorify and advance the Lord's kingdom.

Second, That the church and commu nity has sustained a great loss in having to sever the relations that existed between him as pastor and us as a people, and our prayers go with him that he may have pleasant work elsewhere and that he may be instrumental in winning many souls back to God.

Third, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the church, a copy be given to the Plaindealer, Mississippi Baptist and The Baptist Record, with a request to publish same,

W. J. Peters, J. W. Lane, Jr., Miss Exa Kennedy.

### WHAT IS NOT?

The church is not a building; but a body of believers.

The building is not a temple; but a house for instruction.

The temple is not Christian; but Jewish. Christianity is not stationary; but aggres-

sive-"go, teach." The Sunday School is not the Children's Church"; but the first department of church

Children are not in the church until they believe, and then have no separate church.

There is no distinction in church members, except in their gifts. All ought to be in the Sunday School, in some of its grades. To work is to carry out the injunction of Paul, in II. Timothy 2:15 viz: "Study to show thyself approved unto God; a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

It is an open question wh t the Lord's Day moning service ought not to be given wholly to pastoral instruction to the church collectively; including the entire family; instead of a "sermon" too often for "hearers only." What we need is "doers of the Word," and they need both instruction and training in their work.

This would do away with the objection that the children do not stay to preaching. and that parents don't attend Sunday School. On the other hand, it keeps the families together, and practically stops straggling. Further, the pastor would get better acquainted with his flock. It would make him a better leader.

In the afternoon, singing exercises would be in order, to instruct and train for that part of worship, now threatened with absorption. Organs, choirs and artistic music are a tendency of these days, to supply the

place of hymns and spiritual songs. We are losing the praise part of public worship, and excluding to a large extent, therefrom women and children.

At night, the pastor can preach to sinners and backsliders, especially, and Christians that attend for interest and encouragement. It will be, of course, a mixed congregation, and the gospel must be the theme, Earnest prayer, both private and public, should precede this service and not of the minister alone, but all God's people.

One more thing is a necessity, not altogether dependent on the pastor; that is the weekly prayer meeting; which is said to be: "The thermometer of the church." It is a powerful instrument for developing the membership in activity and helpfulness and in spirituality. As these things are cultivated, the power of Christianity is made

There are those who will object to the whole of the Lord's Day being thus used; but they should remember it is his day; not our own. Again: our example to the world is hurtful, if we appropriate the hours to our own use for pleasure or profit. Besides, we need rest from secular matters and worldly activities.

Christians are responsible for their example and their influence; they are "known and read of all men." It becomes them then, to "watch, lest they enter into temptation." Let us note the words of the Apostle Paul: "All things are lawful for me; but all things are not expedient." Hence he says "If eating meat causeth my brother to of fend, I'll eat no meat while the world

These scattering suggestions were not contemplated when this article was begun; but the Spirit seemed to lead, and it is well. It's time for us to "thin, on these things." Chris tians are called into service, into sacrifice: there is some department in church work for which each has a gift.

L. A. D.

### BIBLE INTSITUTE.

(T. J. Miley).

Please say to your many readers that Dr. W. J. McGlothlin of the Seminary at Louisville, Ky., will hold our Bible Institute at Newton again next year, beginning Jan. 10. His lectures will continue for five full days, and will cover the book of Matthew. We shall try to give all free board, and make them as pleasant as possible while with us. All preachers, deacons, Sunday School workers are cordially invited. It's a fine opportunity to get a good start on the Sunday School studies for next year. In addition we hope to get Bro. Landrum Leavell and Prof. Godbold for a few lectures.

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# A GOOD PERIODICAL-A LIBRARY ITSELF.

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It is the ed to who can do most. The periodicals distinfinitely less than the private library; it is not fixed, like the public libraris at small expense it can be brought in o fe remotest home. But what is a still gleater advantage is the fact that it call bring the instructive and the entertaint g, fiction and fact in juxtaposition-wifers the thoughtless young reader will some time be prompted, having read the one, to read the other. The members. The Baptist is by far the son, of the Second Church, were present editor can grade his reading, and vary largest denomination in this thriving at the Sunday evening service. Pastor it, and so provide a constant inducement to readers to talk a step upward. The ideal periodical for the family will be one so edited and in large as to provide what may be talked a graded school of what may be talked a gra

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reading, which can take the youngest child and lead him up and on until he reaches maturity, and then-still inter est him! For since the parent, as has already been said, is the natural leader in the reading of the family, a family paper will be the best—a paper, that is. which is interesting to young and old alike, which they read and discuss to gether, and which makes for real companionship between all the members of the family. No parent, recognizing his responsibility for the family reading, can Obituary notices whether direct or grown of resolutions for the words, and marriagannd and freedom of the paper word, which must accompany the notices.

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Fail to see what opportunities for correcting, stimulating and directing the family taste are afforded by the constant, familiar family discussion of what is read in common by himself and his wife, his daughter and his son.

A HIGH PURPOSE NECESSARY.

The writer for the young, whose aims fail to see what opportunities for correct-

are really high, must arst or all make his fiction interesting. Then into his action he must inject the salutary inquence This he may do in a great variety of ways. He may, for example, utilize his tale of adventure to awaken a taste for natural history, an interest in foreign lands, people and customs, or to give an interesting lesson in geography, or to instruct in the wonders or some courageous trade like bridge-building or railroading. Again, he may utilize his story of temptation and moral struggle to awaken admiration for the nobilities of character. It is possible for the story teller to start a thousand impulses to ward reading of a higher grade: the actual transition from notion to the literature of instruction is what he cannot

There is quite a lot of interesting history connected with Little Rock, Ark. We give a few fragments, as gathered from a conversation a few days ago with Dr. J. B. Searcy, now a resident of that city, and for forty years a most efficient laborer in the Master's kingdom. Eighty one years ago the Presbyterians began work there. Generally our Presbyterian brethren follow, but this time they led. After 81 years this denomination now ture. numbers about 1,000 members. Fortysix years ago, at the Arkansas Baptist Convention then assembled in Camden, lifting up their eyes and looking upon the field said, "Little Rock is a fine little city, but there is no organized Baptist interest there." From that convention dates the beginning of mission work in but, though we part, still we love. Pas the capital city of Arkansas. The first tors W. A. Jordan, of Yazoo City, Bryan

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but while with that advantage they now have 1,000 members, the Baptists have 10,000. In other words, it appears that whereas it required the Presbyterians 81 years to gain 1,000 members, it required 56 years for the Baptists to gain 10,000.

Rev. W S. Allen has accepted the pastorate of Florence, D'Lo and Lux, with residence at Florence.

Rev. S. R. Young, of Martin, has been employed by the Convention Board to preach to the Rowe Memorial Church, Natchez, for one-half time.

A nice home wedding occurred at the home of Mr. Sam Hunter on December 25, at 1:30 p. m. The contracting parties were Mr. H. K. Helton and Miss Willie Ula Magee, obth of Jackson. Rev. T. J. bailey omciated. May their career be marked by many joys and great useful-

Down by Galilee; A Tale of the Christ. by Ralph Connor, is a beautiful little book well worth any one's reading. Mechanically it is a gem, and its contents will please and help anyone who will read it. It is published by the American Baptist Publication Society, 1701-1703 Chestnut street, Philadelphia. Price, 40 cents postpaid.

Rev. Otto Bamber, one of our Home Board evangelists and his singer, Mr. J. E. Reynolds, will leave January 1, 1910, for a two months' stay in the Panama Canal Zone, doing mission work among the English-speaking people. We trust they will accomplish much good for the

It was the great pleasure of the editor and Mrs. Bailey to spend last Lord's day with their mother and other relatives in Goodman. The mother is in her 79th year, is olessed with reasonable health, and reads a great deal for one of her age. This is a good way to spend one's declining years, as reading is a great pleasure and solace to lovers of good litera.

Rev. W. F. Yarborough preached his farewell sermons to the First Church, Jackson, on last Lord's day and leaves this week for his new field with the Parker Memorial Church, Anniston, Ala. The parting was painful to all concerned,

is very anxious that any person in Mis sissippi who is taking any portion of the Teacher Training Work will send him your name at once, if you have not already done so. He wishes to issue a detailed statement of the Teacher Training Work, showing the number of classes in each State. We are sure there is a number of classes and individuals in Mississippi who are entitled to enrollment. We shall be glad to see the statement. Already there have been enrolled in Nashville 4,525 names of persons who have either received our Convention Norman Diploma, or who are now at work on

some portion of the Normal Course.

The treatment of the Sunday School lessons by Dr. Sproles begins in this issue. He has agreed to continue this work through the year. Since our first an nouncement of our engagement of Dr. Sproles to treat the Sunday School les sons for 1910, we have had many expressions of satisfaction from Sunday School workers and pastors over the State. He is aiming to adapt his treatment largely to intermediate grades. The lesson will be published on Thursday before the Sunday on which it is to be recited; and, as the paper reaches nearly all of our subscribers on Friday and the remaining few on Saturday, all will have time enough to study the lesson in the light of his treatment before Sunday and not time enough for losing the paper. Some of the best Sunday School superintend ents in the State have written expressing their appreciation of Dr. Sproles' style of treating the lessons.

### WEST POINT.

The West Point Church has come to the close of Pastor L. E. Barton's first pastoral year with the following statistics as some of the tabulated results. Sunday School increased about 25 per cent; a Baptist Young People's Union, a Young Woman's Auxiliary and Sunbeau Society organized and maintained in ac tive work; more than 60 accessions to the church; about \$2400 contributed to the Convention Boards (four times as much as the year before); more than \$3000 to missions and education combined with a grand total to all causes of approximately \$7,500.

### IF, AND BUT.

"If Thou, Lord, shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand? But there is forgiveness with Thee, that Thou mayest be feared." Psalm cxxx. 3-4.

### A FEARFUL IF. It Is God's Estimate of Sin That Is Here Referred to.

His name is twice mentioned in these Not the estimate of friends. They might Worker.

be too charitable. God's estimate! "Who shall stand when He appeareth."

What we call pure water may be foul enough to the analyst. "Snow-white linen" looks anything but white on snow. The policeman's bull's-eye and the vessel's search-light discover unsuspected deeds of darkness. "The Lord seeth not as man seeth."

## What if He Should Enter Into Judgment With Us?

If, as well as seeing and recording sin, He should visit it with penalty. If He drew out His hand and seized His rodwhat then? What if H: punished merely our "iniquities" our inequalities, our unevennesses, our shortcomings, our unbelief? "Who shall stand?" Who can excuse themselves? Who can escape? Did Adam, Cain, Antediluvians, Sodom. David, Annanias, &c?

The scales at the mint are so delicate ly adjusted, that coins which are ever so slightly short in weight, fall headlong into a separate compartment. God's scrutiny is so exact, that some of the deeds that men have supposed worthiest would fail to pass muster, and "The sins of one most righteous day, might plunge us in despair."

## A BLESSED BUT.

Buts are generally spoilers. ("But he was a leper.") The reverse is true here. This "but" is a cool breeze in a desert. as a season of clear shining to cheer us after rain. There is forgiveness!

## God Is Gracious and Merciful as Well as Strictly Just.

"There is forgiveness with Thee." It dwells in His heart, and gushes forth as a fountain.

Jesus, God's own dear Son, has become the sinner's Substitute. So all may be forgiven. The sin needs only to be deplored, confessed, and forsaken, Forgiveness needs only to be sought and accepted. Jesus needs only to be trusted and loved.

How well I remember with what readiness I was forgiven in boyhood days, by a loving mother, who was only too glad to pardon when sorrow for wrongdoing was felt. Tears were soon dried, and estrangement ended when forgiveness was sought. God is not less willing to restore to favor, than the most tender

# God's Forgiving Love Should Prove an Incentive to Holy Living.

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that doeth good, no, not in The Lord couldn't see what this wise editor claimed he saw is man. That's getting wise with a venggind

The Lord looked for the surpose of finding a man who did good. But He couldn't even find one web shight after God. He couldn't even first one who did understand.

Now God certainly doe know at least as much as the editor of a daily paper.
Turn again to Rom. 3:14-18 Speaking of the race as such:

"Their throat"? It is an open sepul-

"Their tongues"? The and deceitful. "Their lips"? The postor of asps is under them.

"Their mouth"? It is full of cursing

"Their eves"? There is to fear of God before them.

"Their feet"! They are swift to shed

These are some of the sassiges teaching "total depravity." What it pity that men will not read and believe what God says instead of depending upon the hallucination of a distorted analymation. I admit this is a dark picture but it's God's photograph of fallen min.

Look upon it! Pollock, Pant, nor Mil. ton, in their epics, have ever given such a vivid painting of man degravity as is depicted here in the World of God. God did not make man like this. Man made himself that way. God mide him good, but in the fall he becam sigul and a sinner. Of course hell follows as a result. No "total deporavity," to hall. Those who deny the doctrine of stotal depravity" likewise deny the dictrine of hell. Both are taught in the Word of God.

Yaoo City, Miss.

## A Helpful Booglet (J. B. Gambrel).

I have received a booklet propared by of terms and a statement of coctrine in Lord Jesus, help me.

a clear, concise manner. All my life, I have felt the need among our preachers and Bible students generally of just such a work as this. Of course, the information contained in this booklet can all be found elsewhere in large volumes generally and in extended treatises, but here we have exactly what the preacher and Bible student needs in a small space, easily used and always clear. Dr. Sproles excels in clearness of statement, which is the first quality of a good teacher or writer. Very much of the looseness of doctrine comes of a want of understand. ing of key terms; for instance, take the word "regeneration." That is a key word in the statement of Bible doctrine. What does it really mean to a great many? It means the same thing as conversion, which it does not mean at all. To others, and perhaps to a majority of professing Christians, it means ecclesiastical relations or the attitude of a person toward God, as that person stands related to certain ecclesiastical functions or orders. To know what regeneration really means is to get a right start to ward an understanding of a great many other things; so of justification, conversion, sanctification and on and on. Every student of the scriptures will find this a practical help and handy. It fills an exact niche. The booklet ought to have a large sale. I understand it can be had at 25 cts. per copy, or ten or more copies to one address for 20 cts. per copy. Address Rev. H. F. Sproles, Clinton, Miss. Dallas. Texas.

# TO PASTORS-A CONVICTION.

(H. F. S.)

theory. But a conviction has him, binds him, masters him. A conviction grasps say the least! Or in comparison with the comply with the request that comes from improper methods of mining; with the sim-School helps in The Baptist Record for scholars and teachers who have but littion for teaching.

given me an intense and abiding desire dom of God are concerned. to help children and young teachers. Dear pastors, help me to reach as many as possible. See that The Record goes into every family in your church.

As never before the mute cry goes out from longing souls, "we would see Jesus." We shall study his life throughout this year. A vision of Jesus is the supreme need of the unregenerate soul. A

### One Hundred Million Dollars a Year Wasted by Churches.

Thursday, December 30, 1909.

The Catholics have 12 255 clergymen, 3,000 more than the number of their churches. The Protestants have only 149,472 ministers. or 50.550 less than the number of their churches. This number of churches must either be without pastors or divide a man's time, says the Rev. Edward Tallmadge Root, field secretary of the Massachusetts Federation of Churches, in The Delineator for January.

What can this mean, in the light of the concrete cases studied; but that at least 100,000 churches are too small to support a pastor alone? To be sure, their weakness is not always due to duplication; but, on the other hand, many are enabled to support a pastor only by receiving missionary aid and paying a starvation salary. If these be added, we may allow for those weak because in genuine missionary fields, and still estimate that their very weakness proves that half of the churches in the United States are su-

It is safe to say that the same proportion holds of buildings; for if there are church organizations without houses of worship, on the other hand there are buildings, as our citations show standing idle. Twice as many churches as are needed seems a high estimate; but the reader will note that some such estimate monotonously characterizes our quotations of facts or statistics for city as well as country.

There is \$500,000,000 sunk in needless church buildinsg and \$100,000,00 a year is needlessly spent in their meantenance and erection. But this is a small item of waste compared with those of which society as a whole is guilty. How petty it seems in com-One may have an opinion, may hold a parison with the \$2,000,000,000 spent for intoxicants and tobacco-needless luxuries, to and holds me. I feel bound in spirit to 200,000,000 tons of coal annually wasted in various sources to furnish Sunday ilar waste of water-power, forests, and all

There is probably not a dollar more extle time for study and meager prepara- pended in church property than is actually needed somewhere. The trouble is, that it is I am not in the regular pastorate now, not expended to meet real needs that it is A long experience in that relation has wastd so far as the real interests of the king

# WATCH THE SENNATORIAL FIGHT

One of the most important matters that the coming legislature will have to decide upon is the election of a United States Senator, to succeed Hon. A. J. McLaurin, deceased. The Daily Clarionclearer vision of our exalted Lord, which Ledger will be sent to any address dur gives implicit confidence, a tone of cer ing the entire session tor \$1.35; Weekly tainty, a note of authority, is essential to during the entire session for 35 cents. As efficiency in the pulpit and with the class. the Clarion-Ledger is the official journal To help in such a revelation is the su- of the State, and the only paper that preme desire and shall be the honest ef prints all the laws as passed, they will Brother H. F. Sproles giving a definition fort of him who still loves boys and girls. no doubt greatly increase their circula tion during this period.

### ON LETHE'S TIDE.

om Lethe's wharf a ship set sail And on the moaning tide e slowly drifted down that stream Where silence is the guide.

his ship that drifted sadly on, Was sacred, sad and drear, or on her deck there tottering stood, The faint and dying year.

The bells-'twas requiems sad they That pierced the sorrowing heart.

We stood at Lethe's mournful wharf And saw this ship depart.

With trembling hand the old year waved

A signal of farewell. The ship-she passed from mortal sight,

Death's mystic shadows fell.

From lands to which that ship had No message e'er will come,

Eternity her mystery keeps-With awe our lips were dumb.

We dreamed of what the year had

Of victories that were won. he "royal rule of life" was learned Before the "sands were run."

And when that ship was anchored

In some bright haven fair, The Old Year's treasured book of life A record pure would bear.

Dicordant notes—they ofttimes marred

The Old Year's sweet, glad song, But Love-she breathed her notes of peace

quell the riotous throng.

And thus the Old Year lived and died A conqueror, in the strife, and bade us higher grades to seek In the great school of life.

lark! from our reverie we wake, 'Tis chimes so sweet and clear hat with a tender cadence falls Upon the listening ear.

We turn to seek from whence ther

The song so sweet and true, is the ne'er ending stream of Time With eagerness we view.

nd lo! upon her bosom glides A ship in royal pride, Upon the moaning tide.

Their notes of joy repeat. nd there upon that queenly ship, The bright New Year we greet.

Tis royal welcome that we give; He bows with regal grace, wears the smiles of beauty, And joy lights up his face.

speaks in accents tender A message fraught with love,

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ust where the Old Year ended The work of his pure soul. Begin the New Year's duties, 'That lead on toward's life's goal

When life's school day is ended The ships on Lethe's tide, Vill bear us to some mystic clime Where joys fore're abide.

-Ada Christine Lightsey. Daleville, Miss.

## Animals That Weep.

Travelers through the Syrian Desert have seen horses weep from thirst. A mule has been seen ery from the pain of an injured foot, and camels, it is said, shed ears in streams. A cow sold by ts mistress, who had tended from calfhood, wept pitifully. young soko ape used to cry with vexation if Livingstone didn't nurse it in his arms when it asked him to. Wounded apes have died crying, and apes have wept over their young ones slain by hunters. A chimpanzee trained to carry water jugs broke one and cried, which proved sorrow, though it wouldn't mend the jug. Rats, discovering their young drowned, have been moved to tears of grief. d proudly down the stream she A giraffe which a huntsman's rifle had injured, began to cry when approached. Sea lions often weep ne banners wave, and sweet voiced over the loss of their young. Goron Cummings observed tears trickling down the face of a dying elephant. And even an orangou tang when deprived of its mange is so vexed that it took to weeping. There is little doubt therefore, that animals do cry from grief or weep from pain or annoyance.-Harper's Weekly.

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Be ready in the golden Now To do a helpful deed. ind never let the chance go by To meet a sister's need.

Don't wait until another time. For she who waits may lose he grandest chance of all her life: It is not ours to choose,

-Eben E. Rexford.

The best things are nearest: breaur your nostrils, light in your eyes, wers at your feet, duties at your and, the path of God just before on. Then do not grasp at the stars, ut do life's plain, common work it comes, certain that daily du- also fits. es and daily bread are the sweetthings of life.-Robert Louis

ave been thinking for some weeks man's page from week to week. Lord loveth a cheerful giver." er to know of the work that is g done over the State. Especially I read with interest anything a vice president, anxious als for new ideas and ways to inrease, the interest in the associaal work.

ver the State to think that this . How bright and happy the faces God knows I have done my every one feel "how good it is to weeks ago it was my please to attend the enlistment day ob- Mrs. Read, assisted by the Y. W. A. by the ladies of the First girls, came like Elijah's raven Caurca McComb City. In attending this meeting one could not help but their interest and enthusiasm of it was so clearly manifested by lades in this interesting and

the Boare Chitto Association was the Gods, serving the guests as they the sheeting is so nice too.

box was packed and ask that you please publish it. Yours for Christian service,

Mrs. A. K. Godbold. Olustee, Okla., Dec. 16, 1909. Mrs. A. K. Godbold,

Summit, Miss. Dear Sister-We are truly at a loss this morning for words to express our appreciation to you for me. your timely and gracious gift. Had of our home. The suits are perfect

night service when your letter was to estimate. handed to me telling of the great responsible for the failure or suc- of God might rest upon you all in among whom we lived and labored. you know indeed the meaning of our nice clothes could see us "dressed

Yours for service,

John W. Humphreys. Box Packing.

It was a bright October day when

the Bogue Chitto Association as we met in the old church and, in the work." ing, for we have some real live as the noon hour drew near, Mrs. offs and all are doing good work. Read, who is always so willing to save us all to his glory and honor going to do my best to have assume more than her share of the forever. Amen. inion make a report every quar- responsibilities, with her great kind aring the next year, and I bethat the secretaries of the dif- open her doors to the entire comunions will help me in this. pany and in her usual hospitable when the year is ended we can manner and cheerful way made

be here." After thanks, offered by Dr. Read,

Flitting in and out, Around and about, Here and there, Every where.

eks ago an account of the sissionary box packing of the Gods, serving the guests as they the sheeting is so nice too. put she in The Record. I am sendwere scattered about the parlor, hall
Must tell you that almost all garflammations of all letter from Bro. Humph- and dining room, with the great dou- ments that are made fit nicely.

large reception hall. After the feast had been enjoyed, the guests ex- Catarrh, Croup, Sore Three essing thanks to Mrs. Read for so easant an hour, all went back to the churches and with prayer and in the same atmosphere with praise proceeded to fill the big box for Rev T I Women to box me). for Rev. T. J. Womack, of Paige, Texas. As to the contents of the catarrh, coughs, sore to box I will let Brother Womack and wife tell you in the following letters.

Paige, Texas, Nov. 3, 1909. Mrs. H. H. Ratcliff,

Gloster, Miss.

My Dear Sister-It is now my duty to try to do a thing that I know full well is impossible. Words are useful, and one skilled in their use can usually with them express his thoughts, but there are emotions inexpressable in words, and yet to express these very things-joy, hankfulness, gratitude, hope and love mingled with a keen sense of inworthiness—is obligatory upon

Yes, the box arrived in first-class we lived in your midst you could not order day before yesterday. Everyhave come nearer bringing the needs thing we needed was so carefullyand orderly arranged in it. Every fits and needed no altering. Hats, article was first-class, and suited exshoes and clothing for the baby were actly. In cash it was worth \$300. In value and service its worth God We were engaged in our Sunday only knows, and we need not try Our coats

We have received, in years past, gift that was to follow. You may several other boxes; but this one sur-Dear Mrs. Riley—Remembering of the same to our congregation they been so well supplied with clothing. filled with joy, and as I gave notice since I have been in the ministry. passes all others. We have never you said at the convention that all joined us in thankfulness and It is true we have not gone in rags: we breathed a spirit of prayer to the but it is also true that we have dresspresidents and that we would Giver of all good, that the blessings ed less expensive than other people

I wish you all who gave us these doll. She was ould make an effort. I watch the Lord's words when He said, "The up." I shall try and send you a sleep with the t All join me in love to you and all How many shall I send, one to each nice. photo of the group about Christmas

Again let me assure you that our fail me in expressin. thankfulness, gratitude, joy, and tion of your labor of love are inexpressable. We pray God's God's blessings upon greatest blessings upon you and your looking over the reports in this the women of the Mississippi Asso-still strive to spread the gospel all 's Baptist Record I notice that ciation in person, or by letter, met over our land. We rejoice that you riport is given from only one of in Galilee Church at Gloster for the and we, though miles apart and personal strangers, are "one in Christ Liberty Jesus," "one in the faith," and "one Gillsburg ......

Yours in Christ, T. J. Womack. Missional Texas Baptist General Convention.

Paige, Texas, Nov. 4, 1909. Mrs. H. H. Ratcliff,

My Dear Sister—As Mr. Womack has so well expressed my feelings, I hardly know what to say, yet it is my duty to try to express our appreciation, but I fail to command language to do so. It seems that you were guided by "our Father" in fit-Two by fwo weeks ago an account of the cath missionary box packing of cacy that could tickle the palates of such a nice supply, and so nice, and there was such a nice supply, and so nice, and there was such a nice supply, and so nice, and there was such a nice supply, and so nice, and there was such a nice supply, and so nice, and there was such a nice supply, and so nice, and there was such a nice supply, and so nice, and the nice supply in the

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would call from heaven's third height of glory, As long, long ago in

'Help those women!" O friend

today We read that word in as clear a way

sands away. featherly plumes.

and the jungles are bright with myr-Where, 'mid tropical glory of earth

Man only is vile, and as beasts they

O men, with mothers and sisters and

Of a sacred home and a loving breast;

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hood Remember that over the dancing

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But whose dark-eyed daughters are pitiful slaves! And O! when you bend with rever

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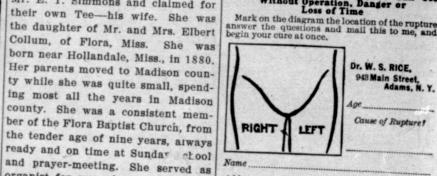
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## RESOLUTIONS.

When earthly things are swept away, Adopted by the Aid and Misstonary Societies of the West Point Bap-To show that He will well provide, tist Church.

Whereas, it has pleased our Heavenly Father to bereave our dear sis-The peace of God! O blessed peace ter, Mrs. Montgomery, of her eldest son, Lide, who was just budding into That fills the heart and calms our young manhood, and who was such an active and devout Christian, and upon whom his parents had built such fond hopes in the Christian life:

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# Married Them On Crutches.

enly Father to remove from our midst our dear sister, who was so Pastor G. W. Riley of Griffith Memorial, happened to a serious accifaithful and true while her health dent on last Monday from a fall on the ice. He has been in bed most of Therefore, be it resolved, That the time since, unable to walk a while we have sustained a great loss, step. It was only a severe bruise, in that her modest and gentle bear- having fallen on the hip. On Suning, and her faithful service to the day afternoon he married a couple on Master was pleasing to behold, we crutches (that is, the preacher was bow in humble submission to His on crutches), and at 7 o'clock preachwill, remembering that our loss is ed to his people while sitting in a chair Second, That we tender to the be-

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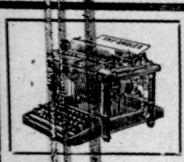
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Who said, as he ceased squealing,

All genteel folks their faces wash Before they think of eating!" Puss heeded his entreating.

But when she raised her paw to wash, Chance for escape affording, The sly young mouse then said good-

Without respect to wording.

feline council met that day, And passed, in solemn meeting, law forbidding any cat To wash till after eating.

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Beat one-fourth of a pound of buter to a cream, add one-fourth of a pound of white sugar, three wellbeaten eggs, a pinch of salt, two cupfuls of flour in which have been sifted two teaspoonfuls of bakingpowder, the grated rind of half a bound of seeded raisins and two ounces of mixed candied peel cut in tiny chips. Beat all thoroughly together. Thoroughly wash and sterlize a button and a dime, and drop hem in the dough. Turn into a cakein lined with buttered paper and oake in a moderate oven until done. et the cake get quite cold before ing it, then turn it upside down and ce the underside so it will be even

For a rich and delicious icing make thick paste with the whites of sevn fresh eggs, two and one-half pounds of powdered sugar and onehalf teaspoonful of lemon-juice. pread it over the cake with a thin, broad-bladed knife or spatula, occaionally dipping it in cold water. ntil the icing is hard. Ornament Let the cake stand twenty-four hours he cake in any way preferred.

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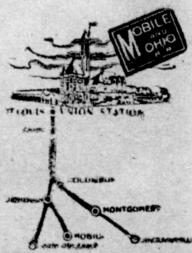
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nt equal to it."

t changes are taking place in ligious world. Many of them lent, and seemingly unimportbut that is a mistake. Baptists been led from their moorings er than many suppose. We been following the "usage" of "fathers" than the apostles; itings of commentators rather the Word direct. To make matorse, some of the practices of orrowed, and copied.

re is a leaning towards episco-

ospel indicates a branching out an establishment of strategic points.

Next, the Lord's Supper is adminstered often rather as a sort of figire for "communion," than a memorial feast, after the order of the Passover. This is by no means conined to Baptists. One denomination of Christians go through the form very Lord's day; another carries the elements to private residences for individuals, and a third uses it as a means of grace and salvation. It is rroneously called "communion;" though having nothing to do with

Then, there is the "sermon," bor owed from the heading of a chaper in Matthew's gospel. It is supiscourse in the New Testament exlicitly noting such an instance. On he pulpit do not magnify the gospel, nor teach sound doctrine as enjoined. The teaching element is frequently

Church buildings are erected after he plan of the Jewish temple, for public worship, without example in he New Testament. They are called by some denominations "cathedrals," mitated, evidently, by Baptist hurches in this day. We do not need edifices for formal service, but places for training in Christian work. The present Sunday School idea omes nearer the requirement of lesus' last command, as given both y Matthew and Mark, than temple

There is no such injunction as come to church" to hear the gosel; it is "go, teach," etc., and James ays: "Be ye doers of the Word, and not hearers only." The pulpit idea of preaching is one of the borrowed hings from the Roman heirarchy: eading to the neglect of visitation nd the study of God's Word. It was his that made Sunday Schools a ne essity, and has brought them so prominently to the front. The whole hurch should be the school.

Prayer meetings are quite promi ent in the New Testament. They were not only for supplication, but or thanksgiving and praise. In these days they are often neglected and he thanksgiving overlooked; while he praise is supplemental in occasional calls for "a verse or two" of ome familiar hymn. The pastor may nake a little talk on some passage of scripture, and a brother make a few remarks. Even in the singing the sisters are cut short by muti-

A leading Baptist minister in the North characterizes immersion as a "form" of baptism, and our devotion to it as "idolatry." Where are we frifting? The only excuse for calling bodies than our churches have it a "form," is a claim that the word baptize has changed its meaning and has ceased to be a type of the burial and resurrection of Christ. Docto idea for a city is held by min- of divinity are far from being infalof influence, and practical lible interpreters. It is well that rics may soon follow, if not Baptist churches are independent, y in existence. This is a with no higher authority therein for

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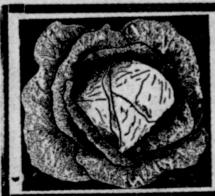
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"Old Joe," the stable boss, lishen cautiously approaching the it is, it should never be reso tened with ill-concealed disdain, panting horse, patted his neck and to till we have studied well poke soothingly, then began to heart and fully "'zamined examine the harness, carefully unuckling strap after strap. When tist Record of years ago.

the harness had been taken of Many a lesson of good or ill horse sponged, covered and bled, the old negro pointed to

"Does yer see dat dere Doan yer see how yer done nigh ruint dat hoss wif yer lessness? Done an' drug John's fine buggy harness dem burdoeks 'twell de sa cushin' an' back ban' dun coi 'ull of de burs, an' den when gan try ter tell you by de way nove sumpin' 'rong 'bout de ge yu turn tu an' give 'im de w and jerk de bridle 'twell he bleeged to smash de buggy ter outen misery. Ef I was Mrs. you'd git der cowhide, you w Haint I tole yu er hundred ti when'ebber de hosses doan r off right, always, fore yu us lash, 'zamine de harness? Ef y got yer stiff brack neck t'would er sarved yer right. what I ses arter dis, will yer? fore yu hits airry lick on 'e o' de hosses capers, yu 'zan dat harniss."

There was wisdom for the amid the tests and trials of s and church life. A brusque fense they may be but the pressible protest, of a galled ture, against the ill-fitting har of life's tiresome round of du

Perhaps we may be powerles refit the pinching harness, to move the irritating "burrs" th in by accident or carelessness; we can withhold the lash of sl criticism, we can soothe the noyance by a gracious silwhen thought offers no good w strength, it is a question when it ever becomes a duty for hur hands to use the lash, but cer

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